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## SHARETT ASKS FOR DEEDS TO BOLSTER ANGLO - U.S. ASSURANCES TO ISRAEL

### Easton Council Loses Struggle Vs. Friday Evening Store Hours

EASTON, Pa. (JP)—Jewish efforts to block Friday evening retail store hours, after enjoying temporary success, have apparently come to naught here.

The return to Friday evening hours had been blocked previously mainly through the efforts of the Jewish Community council (JP, Aug. 27, '54).

Friday night proponents, defying the action of the Merchants association which had voted to change to Thursday evenings, rallied enough merchants to open Friday nights. Their action forced the other merchants to follow suit for economic reasons.

#### LED BY NON-JEW

The movement for Friday evening hours was led by the head of a non-Jewish owned department store who declared he would reopen at that time despite the unfavorable vote of the Merchants association. Through paid advertisements and store to store canvassing he drummed up enough support to carry out his decision and gained the support of others who feared they would suffer if they opposed the move.

Opponents of the Friday evening openings also advertised for their viewpoint. A large preponderance of Jewish-owned stores made evident their preference for Thursday evening hours, although there was also a fair number of Jewish-owned establishments preferring Friday evenings.

Each side opened on the evening of its choice. Friday evening's business showed greater volume. The Merchants association reluctantly agreed to a change to Friday, rescinding its previous motion.

#### COULD HAVE WON

Observers generally were agreed that if all the Jewish merchants had held firm against Friday evenings, proponents of the switch would not have had their way. However, no issue was made of the effect on the Jewish community of the return to Friday evenings.

Merchants favoring Friday evening store hours claimed that no increased attendance at both synagogue and temple services had been evident while the stores were open late Thursdays.

Officers of the Jewish Community council, which had been largely instrumental in the retention of Thursday late hours in the early phases of the struggle, were downcast at the turn of events. However, they claimed privately that the fault lay with the synagogue and temple which employ no moral sanctions against those who abetted the Friday openings.

It is highly likely that the matter will be dropped for the present.

### Praises Good Intentions Of Churchill, Ike, Dulles

JERUSALEM (JP)—Israel's Prime Minister has called on Britain and the United States to back up with solid deeds their recent reassurances to the Jewish state.

Prime Minister Moshe Sharett told the Knesset that Israel is still seeking "deeds that will demonstrate the sincerity of the assurances and will translate them into a language of facts."

He said that Britain and the United States had shown a lack of concern for Israel's security in their offer of arms to the Arab states, and in the Anglo-Egyptian agreement on the Suez canal.

He said Israel was appreciative, however, of the two great powers' statements that they had no intention whatever of abandoning Israel and that if the balance of strength "came to be seriously upset, special care would be taken of our security."

Sharett also praised the "good intentions" of President Dwight D. Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and the "faith in the future of the Zionist enterprise" he attributed to Sir Winston Churchill.

He took note of the fact that "in recent days we have heard from the rulers of Cairo words that seemed to hint at readiness

for a peaceful settlement with Israel." He commented:

"In spite of all our yearning for true signs of peace, we must beware, in the light of our experience, of being led astray by deceptive tactics. Only time will tell whether these words were sincerely meant, or whether this was nothing but an attempt to lull and mislead the authorities in Washington."

He reviewed Israel's foreign relations for the Knesset, analyzing the following factors affecting its security:

- Egypt, despite achieving her main national objective with the end of British occupation of the Suez canal zone, has violated her obligation to assure passage through the canal for Israeli ships. Britain erred in not requiring that the agreement with Egypt end this blockade.

- Britain should have made her withdrawal conditional on an Egyptian peace with Israel or should have offered to strengthen Israel to make up for the increased military power obtained by Egypt.

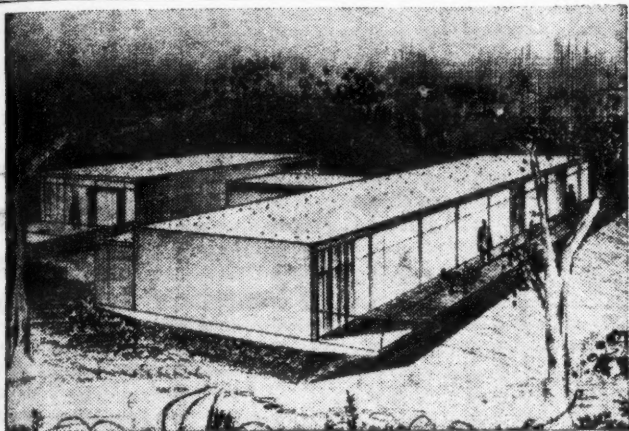
- Israel appears, by the language of the Suez agreement, to be abandoned to her fate as she is not mentioned with the seven Arab league states an attack upon whom will call for the reactivation of the base.

- The U. S. is aiding Egypt and Iraq militarily without attaching conditions for peace or ending of the Suez blockade, and increasing the odds against Israel.

- Any country obtaining U.S. economic aid should be called upon to refrain from deliberate economic harm to its neighbors.

- So long as the Arabs refuse to make peace, Israel intends to proclaim that any arms they receive are intended to be used against her. Giving arms to these states for the defense of democracy is a delusion. It also is a fallacy to think that the arms will stabilize the Arab nations internally.

- The U. S. gift of arms to the Arabs is in principle disregarding the 1950 declaration by the U.S., Britain and France that in the supply of arms to Israel and the Arab states balance would be maintained. Also being disregarded is the statement that unless the receiving nation agrees to abstain from aggression it will be given no arms.



### Projected Infirmary

The David Stoneman infirmary will shortly be constructed at Brandeis university. The infirmary, named after the late Newton, Mass., attorney, business leader and philanthropist, has been underwritten by Mrs. Stoneman and family. It will be completed by late fall.

### 54 Turn Out for Football Squad As Brandeis Readies for Season

WALTHAM, Mass. (JP)—A squad of 54 members will be at the beck and call of Coach Benny Friedman for the opening of the 1954 football season at Brandeis university here.

The Judges are now in the midst of a series of practice sessions in preparation for the opening game of the season set for Saturday, Sept. 25, with Boston university.

Bill McKenna, 21-year-old end, is captain of the 1954 team. Named to the United Press All-New England first team, McKenna is hailed by Coach Friedman "as a great leader. He can't miss."

The Brandeis team has been given somewhat of a lift with the surprise return of Gerry Callagy, all-scholastic back, who has been away from school for two years while in the army, including 16 months in Korea.

Coach Friedman has revealed to The Post that he has nineteen lettermen in the group of 28 upperclassmen returning to the squad. He has 26 freshmen to help fill the gap caused by the graduation of 13 lettermen and the loss of nine others for various reasons.

The squad includes 20 players who are former high school captains and 13 were senior class presidents.



FRIEDMAN

### Hadassah Budget Set at \$9 Million

NEW YORK (JP)—Hadassah has adopted a \$9 million budget for 1954-55 to support its medical, social welfare, Youth Aliyah, vocational education and land redemption programs in Israel and Jewish education in the United States.

The 3,000 delegates to last week's 40th annual convention also unanimously re-elected Mrs. Herman Shulman to a second one-year term as president.

The major budget items are \$3 million for the Hadassah Medical organization in Israel; \$2.3 million for Youth Aliyah; \$1 million for the Hadassah-Hebrew university Medical center; \$700,000 for the Jewish National Fund, and \$600,000 for vocational education in Israel.

At a dinner session, Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland said there would be no lasting peace in the Middle East so long as the western powers failed to insist on an Arab-Israeli settlement.

### Dr. Neumann Indicts U.S. Near East Policy

NEW YORK (JP)—Dr. Emanuel Neumann assaulted what he termed the United States' "reckless and one-sided policy in the Middle East" at the closing session of the two-day extraordinary conference of the Zionist Organization of America.

Dr. Neumann, chairman of the national ZOA executive committee, called on the administration to "act in a spirit of constructive statesmanship." He said that "the time has come for an 'agonizing reappraisal' of American official policy toward Israel since the advent of the present administration a year and one half ago."

(An earlier speech at the same conference by Mortimer May, ZOA president, is reported on another page of The Post.)



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● **Campaign** . . . The United Jewish Appeal this week opened the second half of its 1954 drive directed at raising \$50 million in cash at year's end for its refugee settlement and agricultural development programs in Israel, and emigration and welfare programs in Europe and North Africa. Edward M. M. Warburg, UJA general chairman, called the \$50 million goal a "must raise" figure for completion of the agency's work.

● **Continental** . . . The first continental conference of Latin-American General Zionists organizations is being held Sept. 1-5 in Santiago, Chile. Leon Ilutovich, assistant executive director of the Zionist Organization of America has been designated official representative of the ZOA to the conference.

● **Convention** . . . Nine countries of continental Western Europe will be represented at the next annual convention of the B'nai B'rith European committee being held from Sept. 4-7 in Nice, France. A total of 25 men's lodges and women's chapters will send delegates to the polylingual convention. For the first time



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there will be representation from Italy, where a B'nai B'rith lodge has been newly established in Milan.

● **Guide** . . . A Jewish calendar guide for the year 1954-55 planned to be an aid in the preparation of programs for educational groups has been published by the Canadian Jewish Congress youth and adult education programming service department.

● **Keynote** . . . Dr. Oscar I. Janowsky, professor of history at City College of New York and chairman of the Commission for the Study of Jewish Education in the U.S., will deliver the keynote address at the seventh annual assembly of the National Jewish Youth Conference to be held from Sept. 3-9 at Cejwin camps, Port Jervis, N. Y. The youth body is sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board.

● **Publication** . . . Three hundred years of American Jewry's literary achievements in English, Yiddish and Hebrew were highlighted in a series of surveys and articles in volume 12 of the Jewish Book Annual published this week by the National Jewish Welfare Board-sponsored Jewish Book Council of America. The annual, which also contains a literary inventory of Jewish books of the past two years, is dedicated to the observance of the Jewish tercentenary.

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# U. S. Army Denies Anti - Semitism In 38 Ft. Monmouth Suspensions

WASHINGTON (JP)—The United States Army has denied anti-Semitism played a role in the suspension as security risks of 38 Jewish civilians employed at Fort Monmouth, N. Y. Investigation of the motivation guiding the suspension of the Jewish employees was in response to a memorandum delivered to the army by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in February. The ADL asked that Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens establish whether anti-Semitism had motivated the suspensions. Only four non-Jewish civilians had been suspended.

An army spokesman said that "we found nothing in our investigation" to substantiate the charges of anti-Semitism. The army's investigations were concluded last March.

#### BLAMED CIVILIANS

The ADL had placed the blame for the suspensions on civilian security personnel. It charged that one of the agents personally was an anti-Semite and that his methods of investigation had been one of the "prime factors" in initiating suspensions and withdrawing security clearances.

However, the league said despite the fact it thought the agent an anti-Semite, it could not conclude without further evidence that his bias was necessarily the motivating factor for "the suspensions he stimulated."

In its report the ADL asserted that about 25 per cent of the employees at the base were Jewish. However, a much higher percentage, 38 out of 42 of the suspended individuals—later this rose to 41 out of 45—were Jewish.

#### CITED WITNESS

The league in its memorandum cited the testimony of a witness who told ADL investigators that it was "common knowledge" that "only inferior Christian engineers were working at Fort Monmouth, since the better ones were able to get employment in private industry."

Conversely, the witness told the ADL, "since Jewish scientists and engineers of superior ability could not readily get outside employment they had to take jobs such as those at Monmouth."

The ADL asked the army to decide whether one of its superiors had failed to process for action cases involving Christian personnel, where the adverse information respecting them was "virtually similar to the adverse information he accumulated with respect to Jewish personnel."

#### WAS IT DIFFERENT?

The army, in general, was asked to determine whether the treat-



### Former Cleveland Killed In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM (JP)—A former Cleveland rabbi, turned landlord here, was murdered in typical Chicago gangland style by three men who leaped from an automobile, machine gunned the victim, then escaped in the car.

The victim, Dr. Samuel Bension, first rabbi of Cleveland's Community center, was returning from the synagogue when the incident occurred. His son-in-law, Gideon Rainer, who was accompanying him, was severely wounded.

Police, the next day, arrested the three men. They confessed the murder. One of them claimed that original plans called for the abduction of Dr. Bension, not his murder. Police have been unable to discover the motivation for the crime.

Dr. Bension recently received threats from a tenant who had been dispossessed for non-payment of rent.

### U. S. Bound

Ziva Shapir, 21, a native of Tel Aviv, who was chosen queen of the Israeli annual Vintage Festival held at Zichron Yaacob, heart of the country's grape-growing center, will soon make a three-week tour of U. S. cities (JP, Aug. 20, '54). She won her crown over a score of rivals.

ment of Jewish and Christian personnel had been different.

A slap was also taken by the report at Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) who was charged with having spread the impression that communism was rampant among the suspended civilian personnel and that it was rooted almost without exception in Jews.

The league report made no criticism of Gen. Kirk E. B. Lawton, former commander, on sick leave who is slated to retire next Sunday, after 37 years' service.

#### BUY MACHINERY

NEW YORK—Cotton ginning machinery for the processing of cotton grown in Israel has been purchased by the Israel ministry of agriculture from a United States manufacturer.

### St. Paul Leader Says Sanctions' Use Unlikely

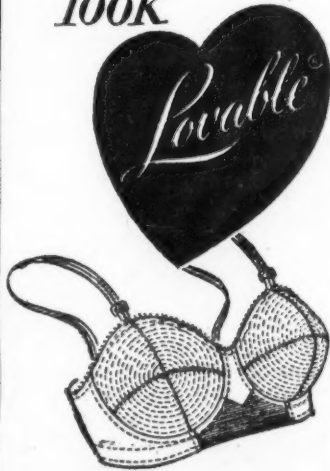
ST. PAUL, Minn.—It appears unlikely that sanctions will have to be taken in any instance to nudge board members to increased contributions, according to Leonard Heller, president of the St. Paul United Jewish Fund and Council.

Heller, in a statement appearing in The American Jewish World of Minneapolis, said the UJFC did not relish the thought of sanctions, but felt strongly that fund drives cannot "year after year continue to fall beneath their goal."

He said that he preferred education rather than punishment.

No action is being taken on the sanctions proposal (JP, Aug. 20, '54) until the current resolute- tion of donors is completed. The UJFC is out to make up a \$50,000 deficit in this year's \$400,000 campaign.

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# Moguls Have Much the Same Problems as Other Jews

LOS ANGELES (JP)—Whether high or low, rich or poor, in Hollywood or in Hackensack, the problems of American Jews as parents and as individuals are apparently much the same.

Dore Schary, Hollywood movie mogul, has the same worries over the pros and cons of providing his children with a Christmas tree and whether he would like to see his 17-year-old daughter married to a non-Jew as does the average Post reader. The same is true of Michael Blankfort, noted screen writer and novelist, who also is blessed with a daughter of marriageable age.

These problems and others dealing with almost every aspect of Jewish life bobbed to the surface as about 100 Hollywood executives, financial wizards and leaders in all walks of life spent four days at the recent fourth national community leaders' weekend institute at the Brandeis camp in Santa Susana, Calif.

## DEPRIVED OF LUXURIES

Deprived of Hollywood's opulent luxuries, sleeping in tents, sharing washrooms and dressing quarters, the VIPS spent four days of the retreat talking, listening, breathing and eating Jewish culture.

The problems of Christmas trees for the children and whether one's youngsters might marry non-Jews came up when Dore Schary discussed "How to Tell Our Children." Before launching into the main part of his theme, Schary told of his own religious status.

The son of immigrants, he was born in a poverty stricken home in Newark, N.J., and as a boy was involved in street fights with other racial minorities. His early years were not conducive to pursuit of his Jewish heritage, and he broke with his Judaism when he was 17. He did not become conscious of it again until his first child was born and he felt the need to provide it with basic religious knowledge.

## SOUGHT AN ANSWER

In order to do this, he tried to find out why he was a Jew—this time he was favored by learning his creed not in a period of depression but in holiday spirits. Experience and recognition as a Jew became to him of great value.

However, while their children



## Talking Things Over

Hollywood bigwigs (from left) Dore Schary, Louis H. Boyar, Joseph J. Rifkind, and novelist Michael Blankfort talk over some of the aspects and problems of Jewish life at the fourth national community leaders' weekend institute held recently at Brandeis camp, Santa Susana, Calif.

were small he, and his wife had a Christmas tree in their home—because they then lived in a Christian neighborhood and felt the children might not understand. Not until the youngest of the three children was seven did the Hanukkah lights replace the tree in the Schary household.

The discussion about the Christmas tree led into the familiar topic of intermarriage. One of the assemblage asked what Schary would do if his daughter, now 17, would decide on a non-Jewish husband. The same point had come up earlier with Blankfort, who also has a near marriageable daughter.

## PREFERRED A JEW

Both Blankfort and Schary said they would prefer not to have a non-Jewish son-in-law. However, religion aside, they would not interfere with their children's decision.

Blankfort in a debate, the day before, had told how he had be-

come aware of being born a Jew when, after years of indifference, he had gone to Israel in 1949 to do research for his novel, "The Juggler." There he had been a member of a majority culture and had found himself.

To him, Judaism still doesn't mean Orthodoxy, but his growing awareness of it has meant a change in his life. He has given up bacon for breakfast primarily because, of all the treife food, he liked it best. He has also become so interested in his newly discovered religion that he spends two months a year as an unpaid lecturer at the Brandeis camp.

The Blankfort and Schary debates although in some ways the most interesting, were only two of the many discussions which crowded the four days to stimulate the thoughts and self expression of the participants.

Featured speaker at the four-day retreat was Dr. Abraham J.

Heschel, who defined "What It Means to be a Jew" for the assembly. He countered when someone asserted that it was a "sacrifice to keep up the Shabbat" with, "Shabbat is not a sacrifice, it is a meachayah."

## FAMILIAR PROBLEM

The question of the observance of the Sabbath brought up the problem familiar to many Jewish merchants: whether or not to close their stores on Saturdays and the High Holy Days.

Wealthy Beverly Hills shopkeeper Yoland D. Markson asserted he had never been able to close his stores, either on the Sabbath or any of the High Holy Days. It didn't matter much to him to lose one day's earnings, but closing his stores would have meant ruining his business entirely, he contended. He felt that one could make up for this shortcoming by serving God in some other way.

His way has been to engage with Dr. Salomon Goldberg, an Australian physician, in the joint financial gamble of exporting badly needed herds of sheep to Israel.

When the institute broke up, the 100 leaders agreed, almost to a man, that it had been a spiritually revivifying and exhilarating experience.

## 13 In Israel Lose U. S. Citizenship

JERUSALEM—Thirteen American youths, now residing in Israel, charged with dodging the U. S. draft, have been deprived of their U.S. citizenships.

If any of them decide to return to the U. S. and appeal to the courts, he would have to face trial for draft evasion.

No attempt has been made to have them returned to the U. S. as draft evasion is not a crime that warrants extradition. Besides, there is no extradition agreement between the U.S. and Israel.

## RECORD SET

NEW YORK — United States exports to Israel reached a high of \$9,557,162 in April 1954, as compared with \$3,213,420 in March 1954. Imports from Israel were steady at \$1,116,569.

## Montor Statement Hit By Jewish Agency

JERUSALEM (JP)—A statement by Henry Montor, Israel Bond chairman, that the Jewish Agency had "opposed the sale of Israel bonds because it feared a decline in United Israel Appeal revenue was termed non-sense here by Jewish Agency officials.

## MONTOR

Montor had also said that the agency did not want the State of Israel to have an independent source of funds.

E. Dobkin, a member of the agency executive, said Montor's charge was "absolutely untrue." He conceded, however, that in one Latin American country, the agency feared that the sale of Israel Bonds might affect gifts for the UIA and had made a suggestion to that effect.

## Britain Lifts Embargo On Weapons to Egypt

LONDON—The British government has announced it has lifted the three-year ban against arms shipments to Egypt.

A spokesman said that Britain had agreed to the arms shipments only after extracting a promise from Egypt that the supplies won't be used for aggressive purposes.

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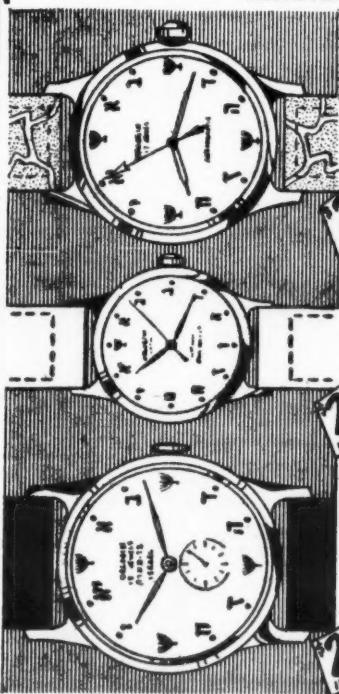
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## Warsaw Radio Marks Tercentenary Fete

JERUSALEM—A Warsaw Yiddish-language broadcast has marked the Jewish Tercentenary in the United States.

The commentator stressed the contributions of U. S. Jewry to the cultural, scientific and economic progress of America. He also spoke of the part played by many Jews in the "vanguard of progressive forces" in the U. S., according to the Jerusalem Post.

The commentator added, however, that not all American Jews were participating in the fight against war and Fascism. He maintained that on the eve of the commemoration of the Tercentenary, Jews in the U. S. were facing mounting anti-Semitism and Fascism led by Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.).

## Bialystok Jews Mark 50 Years In U.S.

NEW YORK (WNS) — Some 50,000 Bialystok Jews in America are currently celebrating a double anniversary, the centenary of their settlement in this country and the 35th anniversary of the Bialystoker Center and Home for the Aged in New York.

The event coinciding with the Tercentenary of Jewish life in America will be marked at a national convention to be held at the center auditorium on September 11 and 12. Highlighting the observance will be pageant depicting the colorful history of the



## Beauty in Oils

Barbara Nager, 19, Miss Philadelphia who went on to become Miss Pennsylvania (JP, July 23, '54), is shown with an oil painting, an example of her artistic ability. She will represent the Keystone state in the Miss America pageant in Atlantic City, N.J.

Bialystoker Jews and landsmanschaften in America, their achievements and contributions to the American scene and their great philanthropic efforts on behalf of Jewry here and abroad.

# Lewisohn Charges Jews Erred In Trading Customs for Liberty

STARLIGHT, Penn.—The great mistake of Jews during the past 150 years has been their belief that they must sacrifice their traditions in order to enjoy full political and economic rights in democratic lands, asserts Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn.

The noted novelist told the sixth and final B'nai B'rith Institute of Judaism held here this summer that Jews paid too high a price when they bartered traditional freedom for emancipation.

He maintained that, in actual fact, Jews can best perform their role in America's democratic society by living up to their ancient traditions. By maintaining and emphasizing their religious and cultural traditions, they are being most effective as Americans, he said.



LEWISOHN

## ADVOCATED EDUCATION

He advocated Jewish education as the weapon for emphasizing the tradition and culture. He said the core and foundation of Jewish education is traditional theological doctrine. He advocated the strengthening and expansion of the all-day Hebrew school.

Dr. Raphael Patai, another faculty member, did not find Lewisohn's thesis entirely novel. He pointed out that throughout history Jews have had a tendency to absorb elements of the culture around them, and thought that it would be naive not to expect such assimilation in our own

century. Similar processes of change and accommodation, of being granted rights as a prize for surrendering their ancient traditions were faced by Jews in many earlier centuries. He gave many examples of the ways in which Jews have reacted to the various cultures surrounding them.

Dr. Patai, a member of the faculty at the Dropsie college and at Columbia university, a noted cultural anthropologist and author of the book "Israel Between East and West," asserted that even within Jewry there is a great amount of cultural interchange. He cited the case of Israel, where Jews of many diverse backgrounds are now engaged in a major process of cultural exchange.

## AGREED WITH PATAI

Dr. Sidney Morgenbesser agreed with Dr. Patai that cultural crises are almost a normal feature of Jewish history. He is an instructor in philosophy at the New School for Social Research and formerly director of B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations at the University of Pennsylvania, Yale, and Queens college.

He said that many of the changes in Jewish life were not simply reactions to the external world; they were often due to inner differences within the Jewish community. He stated that, throughout their history, Jews have attempted to arrive at some satisfactory synthesis and that majority conclusions have often failed to prove satisfactory to all Jews at a given time.

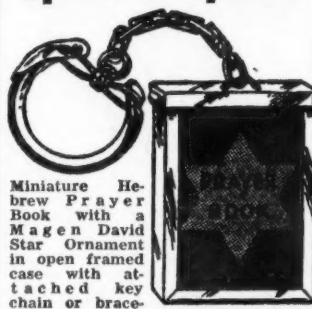
Dr. Morgenbesser then turned his attention to current philosophies of Jewish life. He noted that most present-day Jewish philosophers claimed that Judaism must be a complete way of life, must be religiously oriented, and must be traditional. He suggested that there was a certain amount of ambiguity in all three claims and that Jewish philosophers have usually overreached themselves in defending these propositions.

## Israeli Pugs' Team To Tour U.S. Cities

JERUSALEM—An amateur Israel boxing team is being prepared for a tour of the United States.

The team will be led by Michael Freitag, former Maccabi boxing trainer, who spent three months in America recently. It will be scheduled for bouts in many large U. S. cities.

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### Historic Jewish Sites in U.S.

This column is based on the forthcoming book, "A Jewish Tourist's Guide to the U.S." by Bernard Postal and Lionel Koppman. Philadelphia, The Jewish Publication Society of America. 1954, 670 pages. \$5.00.

## BL LIONEL KOPPMAN

In upstate New York—on U.S. 9W, 1.4 miles south of Marlboro and a little more than six miles north of Newburgh—stands the Gomez House, the oldest extant structure built and occupied by Jews in this country. The house is situated in a hollow of the famous Devil's Dance Chamber, where Indians used to gather for ceremonial rites and where a number of Indian trails crossed each other.

Constructed between 1717 and 1720 by Lewis Gomez and his son Daniel as an Indian trading post, stone blockhouse and residence, the house is now a private home, but it still retains the two-foot-thick walls, the original fireplace and the old door. The stream that runs past the house and through northern Newburgh, joining the Hudson River at the town of Marlboro, was for many years called Jew's Creek and so identified on early maps and records. Today it is known as Ack-er's Creek.

Lewis Gomez was a merchant-shipper with large mercantile interests throughout the colonies. He was president of New York's Congregation Shearith Israel and was one of those leaders who acquired for the congregation the site of its Mill Street synagogue. In 1711, Gomez was one of seven Jews who contributed toward the erection of Trinity Church's steeple. He acquired a large tract of land in 1716 in what is now Orange County.

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**WORK CAN BE FUN**

# Montreal Club Devotes Its Time To Finding Ways to Aid People

 By ALLAN BERNFELD  
Jewish Post Correspondent

ONE hundred Jewish men—no more and no less—form one of Montreal's most unusual and hardest working welfare organizations.

The 100 men make up the Dalse Welfare club. They hold membership to that figure and members have to do two things: pay their dues and be willing to work. The males get a helping hand from their wives, who make up an auxiliary for the club.

Shut-ins, tuberculosis victims, and underprivileged children are among those who have often had cause to be thankful that the Dalse club exists.

ONE UNUSUAL FEATURE of the club's activities is its annual campaign for funds. The best advertisement comes in the annual reports of many Montreal hospitals and welfare centers which thank the club for its activities on behalf of patients and other unfortunates.

The club was first formed in the 1920s as a young men's organization. Its name comes from the first letters of the words drama, athletics, literature, social, and educational, these being the 'reasons d'être' of the original group.

In 1942, after a long lapse, the group reorganized. But this time their objectives were devotion, altruism, love of mankind, social

work, and education.

ONE COMMITTEE of the club operates two movie projectors. If a sick or shut-in person would like to see a good movie, the family can call any member of the club. The committee is notified, and they arrive with projector, films, and all other equipment needed. The films are 16-millimeter prints of regular movie theatre offerings, usually comedies or musicals chosen to bring a smile to the shut-in's face. The club clocks over 250 shows a year.

For bed-patients who can't sit up to read, the club has ceiling projectors which use microfilm-ed book spools. For the blind, there are 'talking book' record-players and the books, on disc records, that go with them. Ten of these have been donated to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, and others are in

the homes of blind people.

The sets of long-playing book records cost \$25 each. The club has bought many sets. Each member pays \$15 in annual dues and pays expenses for club work out of his own pocket. The club works among adults and youngsters of all faiths.

HERE ARE A FEW of its accomplishments:

It has donated rowboats for the University Settlement summer camp.

It has supplied food and transportation for Catholic and Negro children from one of Montreal's poorer districts as part of a summer camp project for these children.

It presented uniforms to Canadian Paraplegic association basketball players, who play while rolling themselves around a gym floor in their wheel chairs.

The club donated a movie projector to the Jewish Hospital of Hope (for incurables) and a ceiling projector and microfilm library to the Jewish General hospital.

At least two shows of live entertainment go to out-of-town tuberculosis sanitariums each year. In Montreal, TB patients in the Royal Edward hospital see many movie shows and usually get refreshments at the same time.

THE CLUB HAS DONE a lot to help Neighborhood House, a non-sectarian settlement house operated by the Federation of Jewish Community Services. It has sponsored banquets, parties, a winter carnival, sleigh rides, and other events.

This summer, an extension to the Neighborhood House urban camp is being operated in a nearby school for 110 children. Dalse members are paying for counsel-



## Say, This Is Pretty Neat!

Little Francoise Morin, convalescing from polio, is the first patient to enjoy the comforts of a new invalid chair contributed by the Dalse club to Montreal's Julius Richardson Convalescent hospital. Looking on are (from left), Sam Belkin of the club's welfare committee, J. R. Johnston, executive director of the hospital, and nurse J. H. Dow.

lors and other necessities.

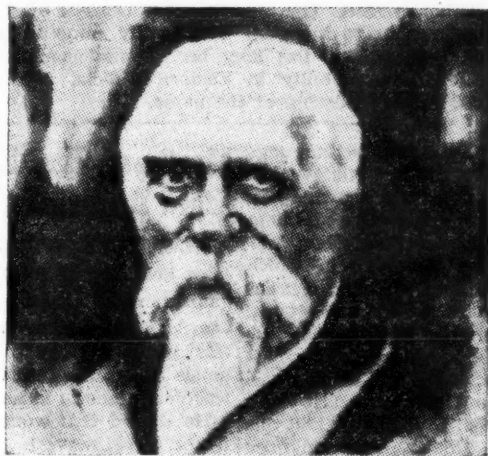
A program as varied as this can only be carried on if every member of the small group pulls his weight. So 'dead wood' is soon weeded out. The club exists only to help others, and the letters of thanks which pour in from people who have received this help are the best proof of what a tremendous job this small group is doing.

## New Day School Born In Winnipeg Merger

WINNIPEG (JP)—In an unusual merger, two Jewish schools, one Hebrew and the other Yiddish, became a single all-day school here last week.

The combined schools are the River Heights for Jewish Children and Herzlia academy. The school will continue its religious emphasis.

## They All Are Jews



Grand Old Man of Italy

**Luigi Luzzatti**  
(1841-1927)

BORN the son of one of the leading Jewish families in Venice, Luigi Luzzatti was given a liberal education. At nine, a healthy, robust boy who played well as all sports, he was taught Italian literature, philosophy and natural science. He could not understand why the other boys mocked him for being a Jew, and, hot-tempered, often fought them.

Because of his mother's wish, he entered the university to study law, but he had little taste for it, and after he graduated, never practiced the profession. Economics interested him most, and the improvement of the lot of the Italian working masses. He started a mutual aid society for underpaid gondoliers and had to flee Venice to escape arrest on a charge of treason.

He became a teacher and preached his ideas of mutual aid, people's banks and popular credit. Before he was 30 he entered politics. When Italy was on the verge of bankruptcy, Luigi was appointed minister of the treasury. He restored Italy's finances and saved his country from imminent financial collapse. Luzzatti was the first to establish people's savings banks and originated a law for compulsory accident insurance.

At 69 he became prime minister of Italy. Hating oppression and persecution he fought to destroy it in all countries. Often he served as peacemaker between foreign powers and negotiated treaties which gave a new economic life to Italy.

An old man, he retired to his home in Rome where daily there flowed a procession of princes of the blood, foreign diplomats, cabinet ministers, rabbis, bankers, merchants and humble men of all faiths to seek his advice and support for their projects. He died mourned by all as the Grand Old Man of Italy.

This feature is condensed from the book, "They Are All Jews," with biographies by Mac Davis, and portraits by E. E. Claridge, through courtesy of the Hebrew Publishing Company, New York, N. Y.



## Must Be a Good Show

Apparently enjoying the movie brought to them by members of the Dalse Welfare club are three young ladies in a ward at Royal Edward Laurentian hospital. The club's traveling movie projector is always available, free of charge, to shut-ins and hospitalized persons. Club members man the projector.



## FAMILY PSYCHOLOGIST

## Parents Can Aid Children Avoid Pitfalls of Interdating

By MILTON A. SAFFIR, Ph.D.

Director, Chicago Psychological Guidance Center

**D**EAR Sir: My husband and I read, with great interest, your column in The Post.

"We live in a community of about 4,000 population; no other Jews save ourselves; predominantly Catholic with Protestants running a close second. We have two daughters, one close to the dating stage.

"We are not fanatically religious but observe our holidays, etc. The girls attend Hebrew and Sunday school in a city a half hour ride from here. However, since they attend public school in our community and therefore are better acquainted, ours is a truly social problem. There is no direct transportation to other Jewish communities so that they can strike up real friendships.

"At the moment, however, do you truly think it wrong for our daughters to date non-Jews? I'm not

happy over it, but what can we do? The girls would be very unhappy and truly grow up with another stigma."—Mrs. J. R., Illinois.



DR. SAFFIR

**DEAR MRS. R.:** The question of permitting your young daughters to date non-Jews should not be decided in terms of whether the practice is right or wrong at the moment. Remember the chain of events that so frequently occurs—early dating habits leading to similar habits in later adolescence, leading in turn, to the same habits when one's mate is chosen. Your attitude toward early teen-age interdating should be the same as your attitude toward intermarriage. At the same time, bear in mind that you can exercise much more direct influence over your daughters when they are young than when they grow older.

What can you do? At least two things.

First of all, you can strengthen the Jewishness of your home, your personal practices, and the example which you and your husband set for your daughters. The more thoroughly Jewish atmosphere in which they grow up, the more likely that their

identification with Judaism will influence their patterns of behavior outside the home.

**AND SECONDLY,** you can sacrifice more of your time and effort to provide your children with closer social ties with the nearby Jewish community where they receive their Jewish education. Just as you get them to Hebrew school, so you might get them to club meetings, social gatherings, and the little weekend visits to the homes of Jewish friends, or having Jewish young people from the nearby town visit your home may be feasible.

A wise parent sets the stage for his children in the present so that their reactions in the future will be desirable ones.

**WHAT PROBLEMS OR TOPICS** would you like to have discussed in this column? Readers are invited to submit suggestions or comments to Dr. Saffir, c/o National Jewish Post, P.O.B. 1633, Indianapolis 6, Ind., or directly to his office, 55 E. Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill. Names will be withheld on request.

## NEW YORK

## Yiddish Remains Potent Factor in Israel

by M. Z. FRANK



**D**URING the 30 years that the British held the mandate over Palestine, there were three official languages in the country: English, Arabic and Hebrew—in that order. Since May, 1948, Israel has had only one fully recognized official language—Hebrew, but the other two still retain semi-official status.

Arabic is the language of all government-supported schools for Arab children, in which Hebrew is taught as the second language; it is also the only language outside of Hebrew spoken in the Knesset, used by the Arab deputies and immediately translated into Hebrew, even though most of the Arab members of the Knesset speak a good Hebrew.

English is the medium for communication with the outside world, Jewish and non-Jewish. In every government and municipal office and in most leading non-governmental institutions, there are special English translators and nearly every important document of interest outside of Israel is translated into English. Many Hebrew signs and posters have a

English translations beside them in full or in short.

## THE STATUS ACCORDED

Arabic is a matter of moral principle, and, perhaps, ultimately, also of political wisdom. The status accorded English is a matter of necessity. It is the language in which Israeli officials can talk both with Bennis and with Morgenthau—and even the odd Bond Drive delegation that comes to Israel.

Hebrew is the language of the schools, the courts, the army, the offices and of about half the Jewish population. The other half—most of the adult newcomers and many other adults—speaks a babel of languages and has to be taught, if not good Hebrew, at least basic Hebrew.

Under these circumstances, can Israel afford to grant official status to an additional language, like Yiddish? I am speaking of official recognition, by law, not by sentiment, consciousness or opinion.

**UNOFFICIALLY, YIDDISH** is a potent factor in Israel. Some

Israelis, especially among the old-time pioneers, are conscious of it in rather negative, and not very pretty way: they hate it. They hate it because it is the language of Jewish exile and inferiority among the Gentiles; they hate it because until quite recently Yiddish constituted a rival force to Hebrew as the national language, and, although that danger no longer exists, they are not quite aware of it.

There were times when a substantial minority among the pioneers favored Yiddish rather than Hebrew, and that was at a time when Yiddish was very strong both in Europe and in America. A couple of thousands more Yiddishists in Palestine, say, in 1912, among those who dug ditches, starved and suffered from malaria, might have changed the course of Israel's cultural history. The struggle was fierce and was sometimes accompanied by rough stuff: Yiddish printing presses were occasionally broken up, landlords who hired out halls to Yiddish-speaking meetings were boycotted and Yiddish meetings were treated to catcalls and heckling. Those days are gone, but some of the sentiments and fears still linger.

**BUT, AS I SAID,** this is a negative way of reorganizing Yiddish. There are more positive ways, sometimes manifesting themselves in the same individuals. Yiddish, though the lan-

## Your Name

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By N. PEARLROTH



**D**EAR Mr. Pearlroth: I would appreciate it if you could tell me the origin of the name Korkes, which comes from Lemberg, Galicia.—MRS. L. M. WOODNER, San Antonio, Tex.

**KORKES** is a highly distinguished Jewish family name. Its history is studded with rabbis, sages and leaders of Israel. The name is an adaptation of Carcassonne, a historic town in France. Spelled Corkos it is still widespread in Gibraltar and Morocco. The earliest known ancestor was Salomon ben Abraham Corcos, author of a book published in 1331. Salomon ben David Corcos was among the Spanish exiles in 1492—the year Columbus sailed to the New World. He settled in Rome, Italy where he was rabbi in 1536. The other famous bearers of the name are too numerous to mention. The family came to Lemberg from the Balkans and has long been an adornment of this famous Jewish community in Eastern Galicia. Korkes is a phonetical Polish rendering of the name.

guage of Exile, is the language of the grandfather and grandmother, of father and mother, who kept Judaism alive and kept the longing for Zion alive; Yiddish is the language in which some of the modern classics wrote whose works are studied (in Hebrew) in the schools; Yiddish has a literature from which many works are still being translated into Hebrew, and it deals with Jewish life; finally, and this is recent, Yiddish is the language of many millions of Jews who were slaughtered by the Nazis.

The Hebrew spoken in Israel is strongly under the influence of Yiddish. Israeli slang shows influences of Yiddish than of English and of Arabic. Whole phrases and particles of words have been taken from Yiddish and transplanted into colloquial Hebrew and used even by people who could not form a single coherent sentence in Yiddish. Even German, Czech and Yemene Jews use words like kibbutznik, Mapainik (the "nik" is taken from Yiddish), Hannele, Yosele (the "le" is Yiddish), and whole Yiddish phrases. Also literary Hebrew is strongly under the influence of Yiddish.

(To be continued)

## Mortimer May Hits State Department

**NEW YORK (JP)**—Mortimer May, president of the Zionist Organization of America took a whack at the state department this week, saying its proposed policy of arming the Arab states was dangerous to Israel.

He denied that arming of the Arabs would serve to thwart the advance of communism in the Near East. He said it was harmful to the interests of the United States.

May called upon the American Zionist movement to protest "in a loud and clear voice" against the state department policy. He spoke before a special two-day meeting of the National Administrative council.

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## WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT By HELEN COHEN

A Dentist's Lot  
Is a Hard One

ITS about time the problem was brought out into the open. All these years we've heard the child's side. Now, in a newspaper statement by Dr. Stanley Brown of Ithaca, Mich. we hear from the dentist.

More dentists, he told the Missouri State Dental Association, "are afraid of kids than there are kids afraid of dentists."

As a mother of several present as well as prospective dental patients, I am hard put to decide which group is more deserving of my sympathies. "I've accumulated a considerable number of hours in a dentist's chair myself, so I know something of what the children must endure, yet I can't help feeling for the man behind the drill.

IT'S BAD ENOUGH when the patient in the chair is a mature adult, who, while protesting, bears in mind that one must act one's age and take it like a man. But to be faced with a young thing and not know from one moment to the next what will be the reaction to whatever tooth repairing job is in order, to wonder just what psychology will be most effective with this particular juvenile (Shall he be stern or shall he be gentle and patient—or shall he just give up the profession and go into the shoe business) is enough to try any man's soul.

Dr. Brown ended reassuringly by saying there was no need of fear on the part of either and that children can be turned into good dental patients. Well, I can report from the trend among our offspring that this is quite possible. Our older children have reached the stage where they even suggest that we make an appointment for them and some-

times go in for their visit alone, something I truthfully never expected to see, at least not so soon.

**BUT OUR FOUR YEAR OLD,** Ben, is a good example of what dentists who worry about children have in mind. When we took the older ones in for their check-up one day this summer we allowed him to come along, for the dentist to look over his teeth to see if they were doing all right. Everything was fine until it came his turn. Then he turned thumbs down on the whole idea. Nobody was going to look at the inside of his mouth; no, sir. The dentist on the other hand must have come to the conclusion that in this case firmness was called for, and applied himself to his job.

Not if Ben could help it. Briefly, Ben won, though flat on the floor and kicking. That was the end of his first visit to the dentist. I can only hope the years will mellow my young man, and in the meantime I extend my apologies to the aforesaid dentist.

## INVESTMENT APPROVED

NEW YORK—A \$100,000 investment in a plant for the assembly of agricultural vehicles and an investment of \$45,000 in an offset printing plant, both with U. S. capital, were among the investments approved by the Israel investment center in June.

## NAMES IN THE NEWS

Getting A Big Head Isn't Easy;  
Just Ask Famous Danny Kaye

Even if Danny Kaye has an inclination to get a big head, he wouldn't stand a chance; not if the following story is true: A stranger walked up to Danny one day. "Remember me?" he asked. (This happens all the time to public figures). "You look familiar," was Danny's answer, a stock one in similar situations. "Remember you told us that some day you'd become an important star on the screen, the stage and the radio?" said the stranger. "Yes, I do recall," said Kaye, trying to be polite. "So, tell me, Danny," pressed the persistent stranger, "what ever happened?"



KAYE

water skier Al Rosenberg. The University of Miami sophomore gracefully floated 103 feet through the air in competition at Laonia, N. H., to top the world's record of 102 feet set just before he made his try. But it was only a moral victory. Butch — Al's nickname—will have to rest content for the time being with the satisfaction of knowing he's the only man ever to have jumped 103 feet because it won't be on the record books. The rules specify a jump must top the previous record by at least two feet to be accepted officially.

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## Names In Review

THE Turin (Italy) Academy of Medicine has voted the St. Vincent award to Dr. Selman A. Waksman, who in 1952 was awarded the Nobel prize in chemistry for his discovery of streptomycin . . . Dr. Marcus Wald, Ph. D., rabbi of Temple Israel of Sharon, Boston, Mass., has become spiritual leader of the House of Peace congregation, Columbia, S. C. . . Cantor P. Rabinowitz has been named full-time cantor by Congregation B'nai Emonah, The Skokie Valley (Ill.) Conservative congregation . . . Dr. Samuel D. Gershovitz of New York, executive vice-president of the National Jewish Welfare Board has been named 1954 recipient of Aleph Zadik Aleph's Sam Beber Distinguished Alumnus Award . . . Rabbi Abra-

ham Novitsky has been elected rabbi of the Brith Shalom Community center, Philadelphia . . . Philip Silverman has been named national director of university resources at Brandeis university.

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## CPA With Figure

PROBABLY the youngest certified public accountant in the United States—and undoubtedly blessed with the prettiest figure—is Edith G. Schlam who recently received her C.P.A. certificate in Los Angeles. Born in Vienna, Edith, with her parents, left Austria in 1938 and escaped to Hong Kong where she finished grade school and began pre-medical studies at St. John's university. But an opportunity to move to the United States arose and she attended Adelphi college, switching to accounting. When her parents joined her in the U.S., Edith switched to the University of California from which she graduated.

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## THE DIGEST OF THE YIDDISH PRESS

83d Congress' Record  
Displeasing to Smolar

by Rabbi Samuel M. Silver



FROM a Jewish point of view, the recently concluded 83rd Congress had a poor record, believes Boris Smolar, writing in THE FORWARD. Jewish groups were interested in immigration legislation and in the state of the State of Israel. Despite Eisenhower promises, the racist McCarran act remains unchanged. As for Israel, aid to that nation has been cut although arms aid to Iraq has been stepped up.

The English-Egyptian agreement on the Suez contains no stipulations that the Egyptians must abide by the UN wish to keep the canal open or that they should relax the ban on Israel shipping. State Department officials still treat Israel in chilly fashion and pretend that they believe the Arabs when they howl about Israel's "aggressive intentions."

It happens, Smolar reminds us, that Congress sent an investigating committee to Israel this year to provide guidance in legislation and policy. The committee, headed by Congressman Lawrence Smith (R-Wis.), and Congressman Winston L. Prouty (R-Vt.), visited Israel and the Arab nations and returned with these recommendations:

● The U. S. ought to urge Arab countries to admit the Arab refugees, most of whom don't

want to go back to Israel.

● If the Arab countries refuse, they ought to cease receiving U.S. aid.

● Set a time limit for U. S. assistance to the Arab refugees. ● Israel must give the refugees compensation for lost property, etc.

● The U. S. ought to urge Arabs to halt anti-Israel boycott. ● The U. S. ought to stop aid to nations which defy the U.N. ● The U. S. ought to declare that it will preserve the present boundary lines between Israel and her neighbors.

These recommendations, and all the work done by the Congressional commission, have been entirely ignored by the state department and the administration, says Smolar.

NEW BOOK LAUDED;  
ON MOHAMMEDANISM

Every Friday a portion of the Koran is read at Mohammedan services, just as a section of the Bible is read each Saturday at Jewish services. Mohammedans are fiercely monotheistic, revere the Hebrew patriarchs, and have been told that their founder, Mohammed, is a direct descendant

## IT'S THE TRUTH!

By SAMUEL DEUTSCH

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ALTHOUGH PIOUS Jews always considered themselves obligated to study Torah "day and night," there was one night in the year when they considered the study of Torah absolutely forbidden—Christmas eve!

WHEN THE TEMPLE in Jerusalem was built during the reign of King Solomon no iron was permitted to be used in any part of its construction because iron was a symbol of warfare and the Temple was supposed to be dedicated to peace and harmony!

THE MOST RECENT of all Rosh Hashona customs is the practice of sending New Year greeting cards. It did not originate till the middle of the 19th century!

of Abraham through Ishmael.

The dependence of Mohammed upon Jewish sources, including the Talmud and Jewish legendry, and the striking parallels between the Bible and the Koran have never been more brightly illuminated than they are in a recent book, "Judaism in Islam," by Prof. I. Katsh, noted New York University scholar.

In the DAY-JOURNAL, Jeremiah Heshel praises the Katsh book highly and says that it proves, among many other things, that the Jews in Arabia, whom Mohammed courted and from whom he learned about Judaism, were well versed in Hebrew lore, and also very loyal to their faith, since they rejected Mohammed's importunities and became the targets of his scorn. The book also contains a vivid account of the exciting life of Mohammed, says Heshel.

## GAINS MEMBERSHIP

JERUSALEM—Israel has been admitted to the International Youth Hostelling association which recently held a conference in Blieskastel, Saarland.

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## DEATHS

Samaritan of Brooklyn Ave.,  
Jacob Simon, Dies in L.A.

LOS ANGELES (JP)—Jacob Simon, 96, known as the Good Samaritan of Brooklyn Ave., the center of an area with a large Jewish population, died here last week.

During the depression years, Simon, the father of orchestra leader Abe Lyman and the late Mike Lyman, restaurant proprietor, set up a card table on Brooklyn Ave., and dispensed thousands of dollars to people in need.

Mr. Simon was a founder of the Mount Sinai Hospital and Clinic 34 years ago. He was active from his bed in raising funds to finish the institution and was honorary life treasurer of the non-sectarian organization.

the Sisterhood of Temple Sharey Tefilo, died Aug. 19. She was president of the United Order of True Sisters Home for Cardiac Children, East Orange, and a past president of Fidelity Hilda Chapter, UOTS, and Congregation Beth El, both in South Orange.

## Rabbi Meier Ashkenazi

NEW YORK — Rabbi Meier Ashkenazi, 62, chief rabbi of the Shanghai Jewish community from 1926 to 1948, died in his Brooklyn home Aug. 26. Born in Russia, he served in the Russian army in World War I and was wounded in action. In Shanghai he aided more than 25,000 refugees from Nazism who fled there. He came to the United States in 1948 and retired.

## Mrs. Leash Kellner

CLIFTON, N. J. — Mrs. Leah Kellner, 70, wife of Rabbi Kolomon Kellner, of Hebrew Hungarian Mens synagogue, died here recently. Mrs. Kellner came to Passaic in 1930 with her husband. During and after World War II, she sent money, procured papers and aided many members of her family to come to the United States.

## Joseph Lewi Cohen

NEW YORK—Joseph Lewi Cohn, 67, municipal public relations specialist and a former newspaperman, died Aug. 24 in his sleep. During his career he was on the staff of the New York Times, the New York Evening Graphic and the Richmond (Va.) Times-Dispatch. He left the newspaper business in 1928 and until the time of his death was engaged in the public relations field.

## Charles V. D. Siegel

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Charles V. D. Siegel, 56, a practicing lawyer here for 35 years, died Aug. 20. He was a member of the Louis Marshall club, an organization of Jewish lawyers practicing in the area, and of the Hampden county Bar association and the Massachusetts Bar association.

## Julius Kassover

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Julius Kassover, 72, a past president of the Glory of Israel congregation, died Aug. 26 in Brooklyn Jewish hospital after a short illness. Born in Vilna, Russia, he came to this country and entered the electric appliance business. He was first trustee of the Wilner Benevolent Association.

## Charles Slavin

SOUTH ORANGE, N. J.—Charles Slavin, 69, president of the former Durable Hosiery Corp., of Irvington, died Aug. 22. Born in Russia, Mr. Slavin came to the United States as a child and lived most of his life in Newark. He moved to South Orange 15 years ago.

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ISRAEL HAS OPPORTUNITY APLENTY FOR THE SMALL BUSINESSMAN TOO

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA—I have had letters from some American friends who have written to tell me how envious they are of the Alpert family, who seem to be so happy in Israel. "You have a profession which you can follow; you have a job with the Technion, Israel Institute of Technology," they say. "What can we do? We are merely business people. We know nothing about agriculture, and so life on a farm is not for us. We can only look on from afar—and tell you how envious we are."

I have done some investigating and I find that there are ample opportunities for small business people in Israel too. The emphasis on the need for capital investment has perhaps given the impression that Israel is interested only in the man who has \$100,000 or more to invest in a big factory. As a matter of fact there are numerous opportunities for persons with moderate means and some business experience to establish themselves here, make a genuine contribution to the upbuilding of Israel, and at the same time get as much fun and pleasure out of life as the Alpersts do.



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HERE ARE SOME examples that have just been listed by the Immigrant Investment Centre of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

There are more than a half a dozen urban communities in Israel which have no Laundry Automat Shops, and where an investment of from 10,000 Israeli pounds and up would provide a sound business. (The American dollar is worth 1.80 Israel pounds, so you can figure the cost yourself in terms of dollars).

If you know anything about the canning of vegetables and fruit there are nine or ten towns, in the heart of the agricultural center, which are seeking such plants to utilize the crop surpluses, some of which are being dumped—for lack of canning factories.

Ramatayim is interested in the establishment of a dairy, since none exists in the vicinity. Lud has trained textile workers, but no clothing factory, and the municipality is seeking a plant. Tobacco grows around Acre and is stored in that city; the town fathers want somebody to manufacture cigarettes there. Nahariya can economically support a scrap iron shop. Rehovoth would encourage and aid the setting up of a small factory for the manufacture of toys, kittedcars and baby carriages.

THE LIST goes on, with an encouraging variety. Are you a baker? The situation in Israel is healthily competitive and there are several towns which have to get their bread from outside. Are

you an auto mechanic? Fifteen towns are in need of garages which include repair shops for autos, tractors, and agricultural machinery. Initial investment would begin at about 15,000 Israel pounds

Do you know anything about the manufacture of paper boxes, the operation of a book shop and lending library, the maintenance of an ice factory or cold storage plant, the running of a printing press, the manufacture of leather goods? If so, you can make a living in Israel.

More than a dozen towns, including some good-sized cities, are in urgent need of pharmacies. In Israel a pharmacist is just that, and he need not bother with Coca Colas, sandwiches, bathing caps or pocket book editions. Tooth paste and cosmetics are an accepted and profitable sideline.

PERHAPS YOU HAVE experience and a modest amount of capital, but you hesitate to start in on your own. In that case you might become a partner or active investor in a number of going concerns which need both a little more capital and some more experienced know-how. On the list of these are a chemical plant, a plastics and bakelite factory, a factory for the manufacture of spare parts for cars, a couple of bakeries, a swimming pool, a sugar beet processing plant, a glue factory.

Hotels, small inns, cafes? They are needed all over the country. Anyone who wants more particulars about any of the projects mentioned, or any other which might interest you, can write directly to the Immigrant Investment Centre, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Hakirya, Tel Aviv. Or better yet, if you will send your letters directly to me, at P.O. Box 4910, Haifa, Israel, I shall see to it that they reach the hands of official, responsible persons in the government whose advice and reliability are unquestioned.

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David Ross Proves Courageous In Plan to Stage 'The Dybbuk'

By JOSEPH GALE

ATTEMPTS have been made to revive Yiddish theater, but seldom both the theater and a particular stage upon which it was played. Such would appear to be one of the motives behind the English production of "The Dybbuk," scheduled for next month at the 4th Street Theater, New York.

David Ross is the hopeful impresario with a five-year lease on the lower East Side playhouse, which seats 170 people and at one time was a synagogue. He will offer "The Dybbuk" as the bellwether of a series of plays by Chekhov, Ibsen and Jacob Gordon, among others. His second production will be Chekhov's "The Three Sisters."

So far, some of the principals engaged are Thomas Mayer, conductor of the Buffalo Symphony Orchestra, who is composing the score

for "The Dybbuk," as musical director; Edward Caton, one of the country's noted dancers, as choreographer; Miriam Elyas, who acted in the original Habimah Players staging of "The Dybbuk" in Moscow in 1920, as Hannah-Esther, and Eva Rubinstein, 21-year old daughter of pianist Artur Rubinstein, as Bassia.

Ross' enterprise, which amounts almost to bravery, is to be commended. True, he has a monumental script at his command, and he is peopling it with the best talent prior commitments and his funds will allow. But he is out (1) to woo an audience of proven indifference, (2) to reopen a moribund theater whose earning power is small, (3) to play English in a district where the language is often a poor second, and (4) to lend a hand in resuscitating a corpse all but sewn in its shroud—the Yiddish stage.

We admire Ross' temerity. We will be there to wish him well and to report our findings to you. But we would rather, in this one instance, be on our side of the curtain than on his.



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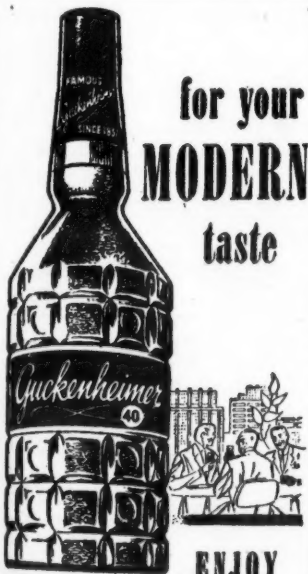
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**EDDIE TONKON** has taken exception to my plan of printing his long letter piecemeal, so we'll just briefly give you the contents on the rest of the letter—we had printed about one-third of it—and let it go at that.

The next points he takes up are the Council's attitude towards Israel, the United Jewish Appeal, and the sale of Israel bonds. Then he defends the Council's religious schools, and finally lauds Lessing Rosenwald about whom he says in part:

"IT REMAINS for the historian of the future with a more erudite sense of appraisal to cast this man in his rightful place among the immortals of our faith, along with Maimonides, Mendelsohn, Geiger, Zunz, Montefiore, Isaac Mayer Wise, Einhorn and his own sainted father, Julius Rosenwald . . ."

The Post says clearly in "Freedom of the Press" section that letters must be limited to two

pages typewritten, double spaced. This is about 300 words. We do make exceptions, but they are rare. Letter-writers harm their case when they go into lengthy polemics. Many Post editorials are 100 words in length, and the average is well under 300 words.

**LETTER-WRITERS** ought to assume by now that we are NOT afraid to print what they write. We try to print the important letters that reach us, but obviously cannot print all that are contributed—especially when they are long.

Writers and readers ought to assume also—by now—that no advertisers dominate The Post, that we do not favor one branch of Judaism over another, that threats against us get nowhere, that we make our share of mistakes, and that we try to publish this paper as honestly as we know how. We're perfectly willing to be challenged on any of our views, but don't expect us to sit idly while someone goes off into an undocumented harangue.

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### RABBI DONIN REITERATES CHARGE POST STORIES GAVE WRONG SLANT

● Editor, Jewish Post:

My words need no twisting. Nowhere did I dispute the fact that two stories you carried of the convention were not accurately reported, nor did I claim that they "were slander." If I did, I would be the first to apologize without your even requesting it. I believe I have sufficient courage and integrity to admit error, where such claim is justified.

All I charged was that if the only impression one of your average readers, a layman, could carry away by reading your coverage of the RCA convention had to do with Orthodox attacking the others, then there must have been something drastically lacking in the overall picture you reported, either in completeness, objectivity, or what have you. This I still maintain despite the approval of the stories you did print, and despite my impression also that they were not necessarily unfair or inaccurate. (As I said, I don't recall the contents of the stories, but I do recall my impression at the time).

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## Chaos Is Yawning

**THE** problem of the declining income from local annual drives has been pushed into the forefront by the action of the St. Paul United Jewish Fund and Council.

Whether or not the St. Paul plan to use "moral" sanctions is the correct solution, it is obvious that something must be done, unless the present system universally employed throughout U. S. Jewish communities of one all-inclusive annual campaign is to fall apart.

The executive committee of the Central Atlantic Region of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Fund will address itself to the same problem at its meeting in Atlantic City on Sept. 18 and 19.

No doubt, this problem will be the major subject of discussion in the U. S. Jewish community for some time to come.

This is the correct approach—wide discussion of the matter.

There have been errors in the past, both in the local communities and nationally as well, and the pointing up of these will tend to bring about moves leading to their amelioration.

But we must face up to the situation frankly. We must stop this blaming of all manner of non-existent causes for the drastic drop in funds.

Since the heyday of fund-raising in 1948, there has been no serious economic decline. In fact, if anything, the Jewish community which rose to such magnificent heights of generosity in that year, is probably as well if not better off economically today than it was then.

When the income from local drives began to dwindle, the course that too many Jewish communities followed was to penalize the overseas agencies. The temptation was too great, and except in a few communities, allocations to local agencies were trimmed little, while the bulk of the decline was subtracted from

the contribution to the United Jewish Appeal.

This was evasion.

This was weakness on the part of the local community, which raised its funds on the appeal of the overseas situation.

It was the easy path, and too many Jewish communities followed it without realizing that this weakness would soon catch up with them.

The hard way would have been to cut allocations across the board, so that the community would know that if it wished to maintain its Jewish education system, its public relations offices, its social services agencies, it must provide the funds.

The trend of the day has been the growing strength of the local community, and the gradual decline of the national Jewish organizations. But this trend could be maintained only by the assumption of responsibilities by the local people. When funds were plentiful, there was no problem. But as funds began to shrink the leaders began to ignore the responsibilities. They thereby were yielding the control of the Jewish community which it had taken them 25 long hard years of fighting to win.

Instead of trying to explain away the decline, the leaders should have been telling the communities sternly that they were defaulting on their obligations.

The result has been a power vacuum. In another day, the national agencies would have moved quickly to fill it.

But today, with the national agencies no longer set up to give leadership on a national basis, the only result will be chaos.

The alternative is for the hundreds of capable local leaders to face up to the situation, and quit alibiing to their consciences and to their local people.

### DETROITER CHAMPIONS ORTHODOXY; SUPPORTS RABBI DONIN VS. EDITOR

● Editor, Jewish Post:

I am really perturbed at the unfair struggle (JP, Aug. 13, '54) waged between you and Rabbi Donin (whom I know only slightly, but whose reputation is excellent. Since you are the editor, with the last word available to you, and since you are a professional newspaperman, a battle of words with you on the pages of The Post is bound to be one-sided. Recognizing the foolishness of entering into the fray, I nevertheless choose to do so.

I am only interested in one phase of your remarks, i.e. the attacks by the Orthodox on the Reform and Conservative and the alleged restraint of the latter two groups. (My personal experience is that the Reform do a bit of mudslinging, not infrequently).

First, part and parcel of the program of every militant Orthodox group should be an intensive battle against the encroachment of the Reform. Since Orthodoxy rarely, if ever, recruits its adherents from these two proponents of "change," while they continue to recruit the bulk of their mem-

bership from our backsliders, it is axiomatic that Orthodoxy should fight back. It is always the victim that screams.

Secondly, Orthodox Judaism believes in a G-d whose Oneness and Perfection are Absolute. By definition, no change or improvement is possible in His Being or his general plan for the Jewish people. It is basic, therefore, that changes in the tradition based on rationalizing the past transgressions of the irreligious may make more palatable some forms but then they become hollow and empty. This no longer is Judaism.

True Judaism recognizes the imperfection of man, but rather than attempt changes in religion to achieve perfection, a sin is called a sin. Then the struggle for and towards perfection continues onward.

Yes, Orthodoxy, as it always has, will continue to fight, vociferously if necessary, against all poachers.

JEROME W. KELMAN  
Detroit, Mich.

### Tonkon Supported On Denial of Charge

● Editor, Jewish Post:

Edward Tonkon asked you a simple question, and you try to weasel your way out in such a clumsy and ridiculous manner that it makes me laugh. Tonkon simply asks you to produce proof that the American Council for Judaism has ever officially charged Zionists with dual loyalty. The reply is of course, that the ACJ has never in fact leveled this charge.

So you quote the Zionist Kahal (NCRAC), in their utterly idiotic opinion of 1949 that the Council's position was "anti-Semitic," and that they, namely the self-appointed would-be dictators of Jewish Americans say that the ACJ

has leveled the "dual-loyalty" charge—which it in fact never did. But methinks, the Zionists are obsessed with this dual loyalty concept, and in their hearts of hearts they must think that they are thus guilty—and if the shoe fits. . . .

If the world thinks that Zionists are guilty of dual loyalty, then it is not the fault of the American Council for Judaism, as Tonkon rightly points out. It is of course the fault of the Zionists, who by their words and deeds have amply convicted themselves before the eyes of the world.

KLAUS J. HERRMANN  
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### TO HEAD GROUP

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These penitential services, many of whose pray-

ers are repeated in the Yom Kippur ritual, had always made a deep impression, particularly in the old Jewish European settlements where all of the year's life revolved around the Jewish calendar.

It is natural that modern rabbis, even in this different American environment, should occasionally think of reinstituting Selihot services. Just a few weeks ago the writer of this brief review received a letter on the subject from a colleague in the Reform rabbinate and now there has appeared a modernized volume of the Selihot by Rabbi Morris Silverman of Hartford and his son.

Rabbi Silverman has had wide experience in modernizing the Prayer Book for the Conservative move-

ment and this little volume is worthy of his past efforts. The selections are well made and the translations good.

The booklet is clearly intended for a single Selihot service which is about all that is attainable in a modern non-Orthodox congregation. The Hebrew text, however, still bears the heading of its source, "Selihot for the first day." This should have been removed. There are one or two other minor suggestions which might be made, but all in all this is a fine book. If it will be possible to organize such a service, this book will be appropriate for the purpose.

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Editor, Jewish Post:

I would like to answer Eddie

Tonkon on the point that he makes, that the Jews are attacking the American Council of Judaism for being small. No one raps a little boys knuckles for being small, but when a little

brat makes like Torquemada or Quisling, he deserves to be treated like a juvenile delinquent. What right has a tail to make like a tongue? What right has Lessing Rosenwald, . . . to put

himself up as a Jewish leader? To cut out Zionism from Judaism would have the same effect as removing a vital organ from a living body.

The whole pattern of the nega-

tive, dog-in-the-manger, ACJ philosophy is reminiscent of the Hitler-Stalin line. They too, rewrote text books and histories, so that little children could be led astray.

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## WORLD NEWS ROUNDUP

### Court Rules Jewish Group as Nazi

LONDON—The Supreme Restitution court of the British zone of Germany has ruled that the former Reichsvereinigung of German Jews was a Nazi organization. It said that the organization, established by the Nazis, had been a willing instrument of the Nazi regime in its persecution of Jews and its confiscation of their property, the Jewish Chronicle of London has reported.

### Canaanite Sanctuary Uncovered

TEL AVIV—An ancient Canaanite sanctuary, believed 3,500 years old, has been found near Nahariya by a party of archaeologists, one of whom was Dr. Helene Kantor of the University of Chicago. The discovery throws much light on the religious rites of the Canaanites, especially on the worship of the mother-goddess Astarte. The excavations uncovered a high altar, around which was found perfectly preserved pottery and the residue of animal sacrifices.

### Israel Grabs, Releases Lebanese Ship

TEL AVIV—Israel last week seized a Lebanese ship and then, after holding it only a short time, released it. The ship was the Lebanese vessel "Nabilah." It had a crew of five and 29 passengers were aboard when it was seized inside Israeli territorial waters between Haifa and Beirut. The seizure was in apparent retaliation for another Arab state's—Syria—grab of an Israeli fishing boat recently (JP, Aug. 20, '54). The Israeli boat was also released.

### Traitor Jailed for Five Years

JERUSALEM—A young man who confessed selling documents and information about Israel to a neighboring foreign state was recently sentenced to five years' imprisonment by the District court. The leniency of the court was governed by the testimony of its medical officer who said the young man suffered from hysteria and at times was not responsible for his actions.

### To Implement Indemnification Law

LONDON—Regulations implementing the Federal German Indemnification law are to be issued shortly. They will make effective the articles granting pensions to surviving relatives of victims of Nazism according to the Jewish Chronicle of London. Financial experts have estimated that the total amount of indemnification, reparations, and restitution payments to be made by West Germany in the next ten years will approach \$2.3 million.

### Israeli Flag Flies at Gibraltar

GIBRALTAR—The Israeli flag is now flying on Gibraltar for the first time. The flag was hoisted over the newly established Israeli consulate recently. The consul is David Benaim, president of the managing board of the Gibraltar Hebrew community.

### THREATENS FAMILY

## Los Angeles Rabbi Held Up By Bandit Who Takes \$420

LOS ANGELES (JP)—A man dressed in an army uniform and carrying a .45 caliber automatic pistol held up Rabbi Jacob Pressman, spiritual leader of the Olympic Jewish Center and Temple, last week.

The young rabbi was forced to drive to a bank and cash a check for \$420. The gunman first went to the rabbi's home and discovered he was not there. He then walked to the center and explained to the rabbi he was in serious trouble.

Once in the office he opened a little canvas bag, pulled out the .45 and told the rabbi "I'm going to blow your head off."

The gunman, according to the rabbi, said harm would come to the rabbi's family if there was no help. The man referred to Mrs. Marjorie Pressman, Judy, 3, Joe, 4, and Daniel, 7.

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## Maine Doctors Decide to Shun Biased Spa as Convention Site

NEW YORK (JP)—Largely due to the efforts of two Jewish physicians, the Maine Medical association will hold its meeting next month in a hotel with an unrestricted welcome mat rather than a resort practicing discrimination.

The two physicians, Dr. Benjamin Zolov and Dr. Maurice Ross, alerted Anti-Defamation League officials who protested the proposed meeting site. Dr. Zolov is a member of the ADL New England Regional board, and Dr. Ross is a member of the Biddeford-Saco B'nai B'rith.

Dr. Zolov was named general chairman for the convention by Dr. William Mahoney, president of the medical association.

The resort which aroused the

physicians' ire was the Colony at Kennebunkport, Me. The same resort recently hit the headlines when a member of the American Automobile Association protested the inclusion of the Colony in a AAA motor tour guide (JP, Aug. 27, '54).

Both physicians had a successful previous record of combating prejudice. Dr. Ross recently successfully fought against the use of the Colony as a meeting place

for the New York County Medical association. Dr. Zolov had eliminated a ban against Jewish membership in the Riverside Women's Country club, the women's organization of the Portland (Me.) Municipal club.

As a result of previous restrictions, Jewish women had been disqualified from competitions in state tournaments, as participation required membership in a local club.

### West Germany Sifts Big Loan To Israel

BONN—The West German government is still thinking over a decision on Israel's request for a \$70 million loan against reparations payments.

Newspaper reports which last had turned down Israel's request were pooh-poohed by a German foreign office spokesman.

### 3,990 SYNAGOGUES

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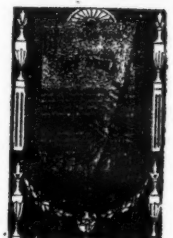
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